IFE IN A NOTED PRISON DUR ING THE LATE WAR.

Prisoners—Blockade Runners

—A Desperate Escape—The
Fate of Colonel Zaryona,

"the French Lady."

Of all the prisoners confined at Lafayette the blockade runners were the most dangers and gave considerable trouble. During the war some three or four hundred of them were brought to Lafayette, but not more than forty atone time. One day they were ordered to police their quarters and replied that if the other prisoners were made to do the same they would, otherwise they would not. As very strict discipline was necessary they were all handcuffed. Two hours later the executive officer visited them to asceptional if they were ready to obey the order given them, and to his surprise found that every one of them had succeeded in removing his handcuffs. Not knowing how far he would be sustained in case of extreme severity, this officer, with rate judgment, tried another plan in case of extreme severity, this officer, with rate judgment, tried another plan and reasoned with them on the foolishness of their course. They were completely nonplused at being met in such B manner, anticipating very different treatment, and the affair ende I in their reasoned with the officer of these was called Vizer, and the other had received the name of Bheem level chiefly on goats' fiesh, while streeting to obey in future the order.

Orleans, informed Colonel Eurke, the Commandant, that be did not intend to remain long, and that he would leave when it suited him. He very nearly made good his boast. Abasket of apples was sent to him one day, which, after examination by an oficer to see that it contained nothing contraband, was turned over to the prisoner. One dark, stormy night, not long afterward, this prisoner picked the lock which fastened the iron grating over the embrasure and crawled through to the outside of the fort. The sentinel on that post heard the noise, and called out: "Halt, there, or I will blow your head ofI." and advanced on the escaping man with his musket at full cock. The prisoner saw that his opportunity for escape was gone unless he could brile the sentinel and offered him \$50 and his gold watch, but the sentinel declined the offer and shouted lustily for the corporal of the guard. The corporal, hastening to the secue, took charge of the prisoner, marched him back into the fort, hand on a new life preserver and in his pockets were found \$30 in gold and and not have a double bottom, in which receptacle had been secreted the iffe preserver, watch and money, a file and two pieces of wire of peculiar construction. His rians had been well laid for escape. In a had a brother who was the captain of a powerful tug in New York harbor, from whom he had received the basket of apples and with whom he had arranged that at a given time he was to escape from the fort and with whom he had arranged that at a given time he was to escape from the fort and with the aid of the life preserver. Watch and money, a file and two pieces of wire of peculiar construction. His rians had been well laid for escape. In a had a a franged that at a given time he was to escape from the fort and with whom he had arranged that at a given time he was to escape from the fort and with the aid of the life preserver. Watch and money, a file and two pieces of wire of peculiar construction. His rians had been well laid for escape. In a had been changed to coloud

with whom he had arranged that at a given time he was to escape from the fort and with the aid of the life preserver swim to a small boat which the Captain would have he waiting to convey him to the tug near at hand.

Another of the most noted prisoners was a Colonel Thomas, alias Zarvona, who in the early part of the war commanded a Zouave regiment in the Southern army and late obtained the sobriquet of "the French Lady." In the carly summer of 1863, just before the great battle of Gettysburg, he made his way, disguised, into the city of Baltimore, and with some bold outsiders of Lee's army conceived the plan of capturing Fort McHonry, situated a few miles below the city. As a necessary preliminary to this plan he volunteered to go down the harbor disguised as a woman, and thoroughly inspect the fort and its armament. One bright afternoon a steamer touched at Foot McHenry with a party of ladies desirous of visiting the fort. The officer of the day courteously volunteered to escort them, especially as one of the number wasa fascinating French woman, whose broken English and chatty, agreeable manners mence her the life of the party. After they satisfied their curiosity and returned to the steamer to leare for Baltimore the officer who accompanied them detected something suspicious about "the French Lady" and reported it to the commanding officer. English that he bear cororied as having the fort to make the commanding officer. English that he largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited for the first time in Footland. It is said that the largest pine apple fruited f

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labor, with ball and chain, at one of the forts in the barbor.

The next morning, as one of the pilot boats was cruising outside of Eandy Hook, the lookout saw an object foating on the water, which, on coming closer, proved to be the body of a man, with his head under water, and around his legs above the knees was a strange bundle fastened with two strips of red silk. Poor Zarvona! His life preserver had belied its name and proved his destroyer.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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## Pineapple Culture.

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A GRAND PALACE.

A LOOK AT THE LARGEST BUILD ING IN THE WORLD

The Czar's Winter Palace at St. Petersburg—Its Immense Size and Gorgeous Interior Decorations.

The Czar's Winter Palace is the largest building in the world, says W.I.iam E. Curtis in the Chicago New. It is a out twice the size of the capito! at Washing. ton, a square structure fronting on the Neva, contains 1,700 worm, and, it is said, that in olden times as many as 6,000 people, including a guard of soldier, have been sheltered and fed under its roof. The roof itself used to be the dwelling place of a large colony when it was necessary to keen waithness against roof. The roof itself used to be the dwelling place of a large colony when it was necessary to keep usitchmen against fire there, and men whose business it was to prevent the reservoirs from freezing by casting red-hot cannon bals into the tanks. These built hut between the chimneys of the great palace, had their families there, and even raised chie ensared pigs and goats ninely feet above ground. But such guards are unnecessary now in the age of waterworks and fire engines.

this morning. We appreciate the awful responsibilities and perplexities of your position, and do not forget that the very life of the Nation is in your hands. But, Mr. President, the people of the great, loyal North, are at your back, and they are praying, sir, that your life may be spared, and that you may be given strength to carry this war through to a successful issue.

Mr. Lincoln listened to Gen. Leavenworth with some impatience until he reached this point.

engines.

The palaces of the Lo is at Versnilles, and of the German Emperor at Potsdam, are much more chaste and make specimens of architecture. The Queen's castle at Windor is by far more picturesque, the new tuilding for the State, War and Navy-departments at Washing-ton surpasses the Winter I'a'ace in beauty and simple elegance, while the new Palais of Justice at Bruss Is, the firest architectural work of this century, is grander, more graceful and peasing in every respect; yet in some of these has so great an attempt at display been snady or so much money expended.

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The present building was creeted upon the site of one occupied by the high admiral in the time of leter the Creat, the site of one occupied by the high admiral in the time of leter the treat, and bequeathed by him to leter's son. In 1754 that was fulled down by the Empress Anne, who commenced the erection of the presentedifies, by telling the presented by the line of the line of the presented by the line of the line of the line of the line of the presented by the line of the lin o be completed by the Empress Cathe in n 1762. Much of the interior was de stroyed by fire in 1837, but was rebuilt, and the whole was renewed in its present form in 1839, at a cost of about 50,600,000 202b'cs. The palace has been occupied during the winter by all the Czars till the present one, who will not live there, but keeps it for commonials only, while he resides in the much smaller and less imposing house which he occupied while crown prince on the Nevski Praspect the Fifth scance Victorial.

Prospect, the Fifth avenue of Petersburg. The main entran e, which, however, is used only on occasions of cere rony. pens from the banks of the river into a agnificent vestibule of marble, with de stairways reaching to the several halls and imperial reception rooms above. The stairway is adorted by groups of statusry, and the long vertibule, 200 feet by 60, presents an array of ideal figures in marble, as we'll restatuse of the heroes of litusian his ory. The throne room is a magnific at a set. The throne room is a magnific, at a art-ment of marble, so large that the entire White House at Washington might be creeted within its walls, and here, upon New Year's day, the Crar receives the congratulations of the diplomatic corps, the high officers of the government and the army, and the nobles. The white half is also fine and large, but the most imposing room is the half of ft. 1 conge, 140 by 81 feet in size and 10 feet high, of marble, with a criling corved and gilded with pure gold leaf. There is no more room anywhere, and it is used only for the assemblage and decoration of heroes with the (rder of Ft. George, the highest the Czar can bestow, and, like the Order of the Garter in Great Britain, a distinction enjoyed only by those who win it in the field or by some

service to the State.

Another five room is the hall of the ambassadors, where the diplematic corps assemble on occasions of ceremony, while another is the hall of field marsha's, so another is the hall of held marstals, so called because the walls are covered with the portraits of those who have com-manded the armies of Russ'a. In these great rooms a multitude can assemble, and the balls and receptions that have taken place there surpass description. No court in Europe is so lavish in display as that of Russia, and, although the Crar entertains but seidom, he makes up is splendor what he denies in frequency.

During the darkest days of the war there was a spabble in Syracuse over the appointment of a postmaster. Two factions of the Republican party had candidates, and each had sent to Washton humerously signed petitions for the appointment of its favorite. Finally, to get the matter settled, a dalagation composed of the wealthiest men of the town and several of the most prominent ministers and lawyers, head.

of the town and several of the most prominent ministers and lawyers, headed by Gen. Leavenworth, visited the national capital and secured an audience with President Lincoln. Gen. Leavenworth had carefully prepared his speech to Mr. Lincoln, and it ran something like this:

"Mn. President: It is with great reluctance that we intrude upon you this morning. We appreciate the awful responsibilities and prevlexities of

enworth with some impatience until he reached this point, and then interrupted him with:

rupted him with:

"I assure you, my dear sr, that it isn't the war or the army that is worrying the life out of me; it is that Syracuso postofice that is keeping me

awake nights."

Gen. Leavenworth did not finish his speech. The delegation presented their case in the briefest manner, and felt more comfortable when they reached the case in the speech when they reached the comfortable when they take the comfortable when they add in Pennsylvania avenue than they did in n presence of the President, -Philadelphia Press.

The Lime-Kiln Club.

The following new rules and regu-

2. It will not be considered in good taste for any member to remove h
shoes during the meeting of the clab.
4. Except in rare instances no men ber shall be given over seven minutes time for speaking,

5. As many members are dilatory in

showing up at weekly meetings, the loors hereafter will be locked at ten minutes a ter the opening hour, and even Elder Toots, if persisting satrance after that time, will feel some-6. Religious debates in the ante-

rooms and disc salons as to the age of Noah in the library must and shall be stopped.
7. Members must see to it in paying heir dues that all lead nickels are aved out to pay street-car fare and

buy cigara. Any member who is two months a arrears for dues may be looked upon a a suspicious character and freated ac-

ordingly.

9. The edict banishing raw onions rom the hall during essions is hereby evoked. It has lately been discovered hat they ward off the hoodoo, yellow ever, lame back, and several other

10. A member who votes yes or no a a resolution cannot change his vote without a satisfactory explanation and he consent of the Chair. He will be tranted three minutes in which to ex-dain why he backs water.—Fre: Press.

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